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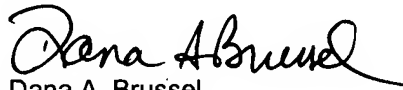
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In response to the Office Action dated June 12, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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